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Application No.: 09/875,989	)	
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Filed: June 8, 2001	)	
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For: PRINTING CONTROL	)	
DEVICE AND PRINTING	:	
CONTROL METHOD,	)	
PRINTING CONTROL	:	
SYSTEM, AND RECORDING	)	
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed.

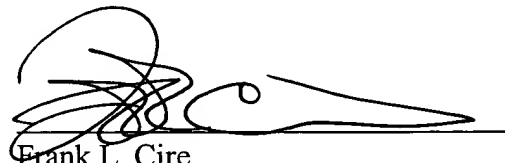
- (1) EP 0 867 832
- (2) JP 2000-235466
- (3) KR 1999-0084058

Document 1 was cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application, and document 3 was cited during prosecution of a Korean patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. An English-language abstract of document 2 and an English-language translation of document 3 are enclosed.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with a Request For Continued Examination, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(4). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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